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1. ANOTHER BOMB BLAST (LOU)

ANOTHER URN THE IRREGULAR BUT SEEMINGLY ENDLESS SERIES OF BOMB BLASTS OCCURRED IN RANGOON JUNE 6, INJURING SIX. THE INCIDENT OCCURRED ON INSEIN ROAD NEAR THE KAMAYUT POLICE STATION. THE BLAST WAS PROBABLY ANOTHER IN THE SERIES OF SIMILAR TERRORIST REMINDERS BY THE PRO-U NU INSURGENT PEOPLE'S PATRIOTIC PARTY (PPP) THAT IT IS STILL A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH.

2. "THE FLIGHT OF THE ALONE TO THE ALONE" (LOU)

AFTER D.
BAW MAW DIED (WEEKA #21, ITEM 7) HIS FAMILY
GAMT
RTDHP NOTICE (COMPOSED BY DR. BAW MAW) IN THE PRESS
ANNOUNCING HIS DEATH WHICH INCLUDED THE VALEDICTORY QUOTATION
"THE FLIGHT OF THE ALONE TO THE ALONE V PLOTINUS." THE GUB
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SERVICES (MIS), FEARED THAT THIS WAS A
CODEMESSAGE OF SOME KIND (ONE OF DR. BAW MAW'S SONS-IN-LAW,
BO YANCUNAING, IS A PROMINENT MEMBER OF THE INSURGENT PEOPLE'S
PATRIOTIC PARTY). THE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SENT A REPRESENTAAU
TIVE TO THE BRITISH EMBASSY LIBRARY TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE
QUOTE WAS LEGITIMATE. (IT WAS.) MIS ALSO REPORTEDLY REPRI-
MANDED THE NEWSPAPER CONCERNED FOR PRINTING THE OBITUARY
NOTICE WITHOUT CHECKING WITH IT FIRST.

3. MORE REBELS KILLED IN THE CHIN HILLS (UNCL)

THE BURMA ARMY KILLED ARAKANESE INSURGENT LEADER KHAING
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MOE LIN AND TWOOTHERS JUNE 4, FOLLOWING UP ON ITS EARLIER
ATTACKS ON THE SAME GROUPIWEEKA #21, ITEM 3). APPARENTLY
ONLY THREE REBELS OF THE ORIGINAL GROUP OF 107 NOW REMAIN
AT LARGE, MAKING THE OPERATION ONE OF THE MORE SUCCESSFUL
RECENT BURMA ARMY VENTURES. KHAING MOE LIN HIMSELF WAS
NOT A MAJOR FIGURE.

4. ARRESTS OF U.S. CITIZENS (UNCL)

DURING THE WEEK OF 5-10 JUNE 1977, TWO U.S. CITIZENS ON
TWO DIFFERENT OCCASIONS WERE ARRESTED BY AIRPORT CUSTOMS
OFFICIALS FOR DISCREPANCIES IN THEIR FOREIGNCURRENCY DECLARA-
TIONS. THIS APPEARS TO BE INDICATION GUB AUTHORITIES ARE
TIGHTENING UP ON CUSTOMS CONTROL. OFFENDERS ARE USUALLY FINED

AND THE AMOUNT INVOLVED IN THE DECLARATION DISCREPANCY IS
CONFISCATED.

5. TWIN OTTER ARRIVES (UNC)

THE LAST OF NINE TWIN OTTERS ORDERED FROM THE DEHAVILLAND
CO. OF CANADA AND FINANCED BY A CANADIAN GOVERNMENT LOAN
ARRIVED IN BURMA ON JUNE 8. THE LATEST PLANE IS EQUIPPED TO
FLY LONGER DISTANCE THAN THE EARLIER TWIN OTTERS ACQUIRED
BY THE BURMA AIRWAYS CORPORATION (BAC). IT PROBABLY WILL
NOT GO INTO SERVICE UNTIL BAC PILOTS RETURN FROM TRAINING IN
CANADA (WEEKA #20#) ITEM 9

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6. AIR TRANSPORT DELEGATION DEPARTS FOR EUROPE (UNC)
THE GUB DEPUTY MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS,
THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MANAGING
DIRECTOR OF BURMA AIRWAYS CORPORATION DEPARTED FOR EUROPE
ON JUNE 6. THE DELEGATION WILL STOP IN WARSAW TO FORMALLY SIGN AN
AIRTRANSPORT AGREEMENT WITH POLAND; VRAIT THE
AERO-SPECIAL AIR SHOW IN FRANCE; AND TAKE DELIVERY OF A
NEW F-28 IN THE NETHERLANDS FOR BAC'S AIR FLEET.
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7. U KO KO TO CANADA (LOU)

THE GUB JUNE 5 ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF U KO KO,
UNTIL RECENTLY THE MINISTER FOR HOME AND RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS,
AS THE NEW AMBASSADOR TO CANADA.

COMMENT: U KO KO IS PRESUMABLY BEING REWARDED WITH THIS
APPOINTMENT FOR LONG AND LOYAL SERVICE. HE REPORTEDLY WAS
GIVEN HIS CHOICE OF SEVERAL POSTINGS.

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8. SOVIET YOUTH DELEGATION DEPARTS (UNC)

THE VISITING SOVIET YOUTH DELEGATION (WEEKA #21, ITEM 5)
DEPARTED JUNE 8 AFTER DOING THE USUAL TOUR OF BURMA AND
CALLING ON THE MINISTERS OF CULTURE AND EDUCATION, AS WELL
AS APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF THE BURMA SOCIALIST PROGRAM
AAARTY.

9. NARCOTICS - CROP SUBSTITUTION (UNC)

PARTY AND PEOPLE'S COUNCIL OFFICIALS IN PHAIKHON TOWNSHIP,
SOUTHERN SHAN STATE ARE PUTTING INTO OPERATION CROP SUBSTITU-
TION PROGRAMS IN AREAS FORMERLY GIVEN OVER TO OPIUM POPPY
CULTIVATION THE OFFICIALS ANNOUNCED THAT KYAT 85,000 WOULD
BE EXPENDED IN THE EFFORT TO BRING 300 ACRES UNDER CULTIVATION.
THE FARMERS WHOSE POPPY FIELDS HAD BEEN DESTROYED BY THE
GOVERNMENT, WOULD BE GIVEN FERTILIZER AND SEEDS FREE OF COST.
EMPHASIS WILL BE PLACED ON THE CULTIVATION OF VARIOUS FOOD
CROPS AND FRUIT TREES.

10. NARCOTICS - TRAINING IN ADDICT TREATMENT (UNCL)

UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE CENTRAL DRUG ABUSE CONTROL
COMMITTEE, RANGOON PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL INITIATED ON JUNE 6
A TWO-WEEK COURSE IN THE TREATMENT OF DRUG ADDICTS. SIXTEEN
DOCTORS AND 14 NURSES REPRESENTING VARIOUS HEALTH DISTRICTS
IN SHAN AND KACHIN STATES AS WELL AS MANDALAY WERE ATTENDING
THE COURSE. GIVEN THE LIMITATIONS ON IN-PATIENT CARE, HEALTH
OFFICIALS HOPE THROUGH TRAINING COURSES TO ENCOURAGE LOCAL
HEALTH OFFICERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TREATMENT OF DRUG
ADDICTS.

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